

## STOW HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Minutes of Jan. 5, 2017

Members present: Dot Spaulding-DS, Patrick Hopkins-PH, Marilyn Zavorski-MZ,

Rosemary Bawn-RB, Vellyn Antonelli-VA-*absent- quorum present*

Assoc. members present: Lew Halprin, Barbara Clancy-*absent*, Andy Crosby, Margaret Barry-*absent*

Others present: Linda Hathaway, Atli Thorarensen

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm with a quorum present.

The **minutes** for the Dec. 1, 2016 meeting were approved. Motion to approve was made by RB and seconded by MZ – unanimous.

**Treasurer's Report:** No change.

**Building Permits:** None available.

**Public Archaeology Survey Team update:** PAST is working on final corrections to the Historic Home Inventory pages.

**Community Preservation Report:** CPC will be meeting on Jan. 9, 2017.

**Town Clerk Documentation Phase II:** Linda Hathaway will be asking for \$85,000.00 from Stow Preservation Committee funds and was seeking Stow Historical Commission approval for her request for historic town document restoration/conservation including Warnings Out, multiple volumes of Town Meetings, and Selectmen/Treasurer records 1718-1936. After a lively discussion of future efforts regarding having town documents on-line, the committee agreed that preservation to stop worsening deterioration of documents was the immediate objective. Motion to approve was made by RB and seconded by PH.

**FY2018 Budget:** The SHC chair presented the FY2018 budget for discussion. Since the Commission has future cemetery map kiosks and presentation binders for the historic house inventory to consider the budget remained at \$1200.00. Motion to approve by MZ, and seconded by PH – unanimous.

**1825 West School:** The school remains closed for the winter. Marilyn has received a grant to help fund a Sept. 17, 2017 program with Nancy Bell, who lectures on weaving and looms.

**Old and New Business:** The Union Church historic document sorting and preservation is on-going. Ancient documents meetings will continue meeting in 2017. The Commission is still in search of a Spring program and venue for Freedom's Way. Also, a Springfest program needs to be agreed upon.

**Correspondence:** none.

The next meeting is Feb. 9, 2017 at 7:30 in the Town Building.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm. Motion to adjourn by PH; and seconded by MZ; unanimous.

Respectfully submitted

